## **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**



FIRE DEPARTMENT

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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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## 2003 FIREWORKS PROGRAM

Since January 2003, the Fire Department has been preparing its annual fireworks program. Various steps required for this program have been implemented such as the development of comprehensive handout materials and posters for distribution throughout our jurisdictional areas.

Personnel assigned to engine companies will be patrolling their jurisdictional areas prior to and during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations in order to reduce the illegal fireworks problem. The Fire Department continues to support public fireworks displays conducted by State-licensed pyrotechnicians. So far this year, we have approved 49 public fireworks displays. Additionally, we will continue to confiscate illegal fireworks and enforce State and County laws relating to fireworks. It is our hope that through continued efforts in 2003, the illegal fireworks problem will continue to diminish.

If you need additional information, please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Assistant Fire Chief Johnny Jee, Fire Prevention Division, at (323) 890-4144.

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